

BIG NEW INDUSTRY FOR WESTERLY

Shirt Company in Woolen Mill Plant to Expand Rapidly—Possibility of Manufactory of Brass Novelties—President Paul H. Hillard to Present Interesting Report at Regimental Reunion.

While the plant of the Bradford Dyeing and Finishing Co. at Westford, Mass., is the largest in the town, indications are that it is not the only one that will be in the Westford area. The Westford Woolen Co. has already commenced operations, which is confined to the mill buildings on the west side of the river, but which will be extended to the other side as soon as the buildings are ready for occupancy. A Worcester specialty of mill building work has already commenced on a general reconstruction and enlargement of the entire plant. The present brick buildings will be increased in size and several large new buildings will be erected. Effort is being made to have the work completed in the shortest time possible, as the owners are desirous of having the entire plant working to capacity.

The plant is to be complete in every detail and not only will the shirts be made and shipped from Westford, but all the material used will be made on the premises, even to the cardboard boxes for the shirts and the shipping cases.

Although the work at present in the manufacturing line is necessarily limited, daily additions are being made in the working force.

Edward Farnham Greene, treasurer of the Pacific Mills of New England, declares that the hobbie skirt and the rise of some women was the direct cause of the Lawrence strike and the other textile troubles which tied up the mills, impoverishing thousands of operatives and dealing for a time to social anarchy. Mr. Greene is the son of the late Stephen Greene, who resided in Westford, and who at the age of 16 was overseer of the carding room at the White Rock mill. Subsequently he became a member of the mill architect firm of Lockwood, Greene & Company, succeeding to the whole business and employed over one hundred assistants in his Boston office. Another point of local interest is that Alvin, grandfather of Edwin Farnham Greene, was also a resident of Westford and was for years superintendent of the White Rock mill.

Here is the statement of Treasurer Greene, who received his early education in Westford. "For two years prior to January, 1912, there was a great deal of curtailment and poor business, not only in Lawrence, but elsewhere. This was not due merely to the tariff agitation, but to the hobbie skirt and the dress fads of some women. The textile business was curtailed to the extent of nearly 40 per cent, and much of this curtailment was caused by the new style of wearing tight fitting skirts."

"If women who have allowed the union in the reduction of the size and number of skirts worn realized how this pinched the mill owner, the working man and the working woman, they would discard the hobbie and return to the more generous fashion of other years."

"It is not a question merely of morals, decency or good taste in dress. The hobbie skirt has its economic bearing upon life, but it is the cause of the textile prosperity, the wage earning results of the workers and the health and habits of the women who wear it."

Several months ago New York men negotiated for the purchase of the Bradford Dyeing and Finishing Co. The agreement and option, signed by J. H. Brown and Dr. John Robert Beckwith, owner of the building, supposed the project had been abandoned. Last

week the plant of the Bradford Dyeing and Finishing Co. at Westford, Mass., is the largest in the town, indications are that it is not the only one that will be in the Westford area.

Paul H. Hillard of Westeryly is president of the Twenty-sixth Connecticut Veteran association, which is to hold its annual reunion in East Hartford, Thursday, and will present an interesting annual report. Of the 31 Norwich men that served in that regiment very few, if any, survive. So far as known, Soten A. Moxley is the only member of the regiment residing in Norwich, and he enlisted from Leeward and was wounded in the battle of Cold Spring, Va.

Since the last reunion four officers of the regiment have died—Col. James F. Brown, Maj. William Spittle, Capt. Charles E. Dutton and First Lieut. Court S. Stanton. Six members of the regiment reside in Westeryly.

Local Laocoms.

David Franklin Stillman has returned from a visit in New Jersey.

There is an active crusade against flies and sparrows in Westeryly.

The quarters of the Colonial club are nearing readiness for occupancy.

Edward Nestor of Providence is in Westeryly to visit his mother and sisters.

Mrs. George F. Clark and Mrs. Herbert P. Clark are visiting relatives in New London.

The contract for constructing the new postoffice building in Westeryly has not been awarded.

Two months ago there were three vacant mill properties in Westeryly; now there are none.

The rains have interfered more with building operations than the chilly weather and attendant snowstorms of winter.

J. Irving Maxson will soon make a trip to the Isle of Pines in the interest of a fruit company of Boston of which Mr. Maxson is president and ranch manager.

The monthly meeting of the Westeryly Ministerial association was held in the rooms of the juvenile department of the library in the Memorial building Monday morning.

There will be a parlor meeting at the residence of Mrs. Charles Perry (Tuesday) afternoon, when Mrs. Deborah Knox Livingstone of Providence will speak on "The Woman of Today."

The call for the annual financial statement of the town is broad and enough to admit the transaction of any business relative to town affairs, even in the matter of appropriations that are not recommended by the town council.

Witnesses from Westeryly have been summoned to the superior court in New London Tuesday to testify in the case of the estate of Dwight Minor, who shot and killed his brother, James O. Minor, at Pendleton Hill.

There was an interesting order of exercises at the White Rock Sunday school Sunday evening which included addresses by Elhan Wilcox and Mrs. Catherine Landon. The occasion was the observance of the 60th anniversary of the school.

The town hall appropriation is at the disposal of the town clerk and is judiciously expended, detailed report being made monthly to the town council. There is no public property committee and the only standing committees of the town council are on highways, police and street lights.

GRAND TRUNK STARTS WORK

Engineers and Builders Get Busy in New Hampshire, Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

The first work on the construction of the Grand Trunk in the state of New Hampshire was started last week. Seventeen engineers met in Concord Monday, received their general orders, and dispersed to the various parts of the line for the purpose of making a general survey for the double track system. The route will begin at White River Junction, touching at Manchester and possibly Concord. An effort will be made to reach the towns and cities in southern New Hampshire which are in most need of railroad facilities. The engineers have been instructed to spare no expense in the construction of one of the best lines of the country. The survey will include plans for bridges and the location of stations and work on this will be rushed so that the plans and definite layout of the road can be filed with the supreme court of New Hampshire as required by the general railroad law of the state. George M. Thompson, the former chief engineer of the Boston & Maine railroad, is in charge, having left the B. & M. to take service with the Grand Trunk.

To Occupy Dreier Cottage.

Attorney Stickney and family of New York have hired the Dreier cottages at the Point and will arrive about May 15 for the summer.

Miss Mildred Bailey of Lynn, Mass., is the guest of Joseph C. Palmer at the Brown house on Elm street.

Broken Axle Causes Trouble.

A freight train at the siding just east of Stonington junction, near Le-

STONINGTON

Funerals, Mrs. Mary Williams, Mrs. Eliza C. Pendleton—Jury List Being Selected—Work for Two Wreckers.

The funeral services of Mrs. Mary Williams took place at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mayne, on Water street, at 2:30 o'clock Monday. Rev. C. J. Mason, pastor of Calvary Episcopal church, officiating. Burial was in Stonington cemetery.

Mrs. Eliza C. Pendleton.

The funeral services of Mrs. Eliza C. Pendleton, who died at her home in New Haven Saturday, were held Monday at New Haven. Burial was in the family plot in Stonington cemetery on the arrival of the 1:40 p. m. train.

Selecting Jury List.

The selectmen of Stonington must choose 12 names and submit them to the jury commission, who will take 66 names subject to service as jurors in New London county courts. For-

ward's Island siding, at about 2 o'clock Monday morning came to grief. The train was east bound and when it arrived near the siding the axle of one car broke and it was rushed off the track. Another car was forced from the rails by the accident. A large quantity of pig iron was in these cars and this was dumped beside the rails. Two wreckers were sent for and they made quick work of the scattering pieces, so traffic was not interfered with.

Rev. and Mrs. George B. Marston are visiting in Londale, R. I., for a few days.

Or Insist on Handouts.

John Hays Hammond is going to England again, and if the King desires to block any attempt to again poke him in the ribs he should wear a vest of armor.—Birmingham Age Herald.

South Norwalk.—The International Rubber company, whose plant was destroyed by fire here, has decided to remove from this city and locate in Glenbrook. About 140 hands were employed, mostly women.

Norwalk.—At a special meeting of the South Norwalk board of councilmen it was voted to issue bonds for \$75,000 to be used for public improvements.

Plays Like a Woman.

In other words, though T. B. insists on having a square deal he objects to letting the other fellow cut the cards when he's dealing.—Detroit Free Press.

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